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STATE OF MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Mr. Phil Frick AltaVista Energy 4595 K33 Highway Wellsville, KS 66092

RE: Special Project Request

Dear Mr. Frick:

At the July 12, 2011 State Oil and Gas Council meeting held at the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Kansas City Regional Office in Lee's Summit, MO, AltaVista Energy petitioned the Council for special project status for their McClintock Lease located in the northwest quarter of Section 33, T47N, R30W in Jackson County. State regulation 10 CSR 50-2.110 provides Council the authority to grant special consideration to operators who wish to develop projects aimed at producing the state's heavy oil reserves. Operators require a great deal of flexibility in developing well patterns, which include enhanced recovery injection wells, to produce this oil due to its physical properties.

After discussion by the Council, a motion was passed to grant this special project status request to AltaVista Energy for their McClintock Lease. Additional well permits may be applied for with locations determined at the discretion of your office as long as the well is not located within 165 feet of the boundary of the special project.

If you have any questions, please contact the office of the state geologist by mail at P.O. Box 250, Rolla, MO 65402; by phone at 573-368-2100; or by fax at 573-368-2111.

Sincerely,

STATE OIL AND GAS COUNCIL

John Madras, Chair

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